

The welcome of a flower
Thank you to these members for welcoming all of us with their kind donations of spring color:
“Friends are the pillars on your porch: Sometimes they hold you up, sometimes they lean on you, and sometimes it’s just enough to know they’re standing by.” ~ Anonymous

The east entrance urns have been donated by Dr. David and Dawn Kittleson, in honor and memory of friend Barbara Klein. They feature bright colors, which Barb loved, and intertwined reeds reaching upward. Two lanterns stand beside them, representing the ways in which friends are eternal and how their memory lingers to lean near our hearts.

“If the only prayer you say in your life is ‘thank you,’ that would suffice.” ~ Meister Eckhart

The south urn flowers are given by Gay Hendricks, in honor and memory of her husband, John. The urns spring forth in a burst of birds, tulips and daffodils and a woven circle to recall the eternal ways life is woven with love. John is deeply missed and admired.

New patio pots
Phyllis Stratis donated two urns with a Chinese motif for the church grounds. They'll be used at the bread oven patio and at the northwest church entrance, by the music and prayer rooms. Thank you!

Golf groups
Women: We'll start our season **Wednesday, May 15**, at Applewood Hills in Stillwater. To play, email Mary Cripe at suzary006@comcast.net.
Men: We'll hope for better weather to tee off at 1pm **Thursday, May 16**, at Oneka Ridge. Contact at 920-493-2657 or pncsteff@aol.com.

Book club
For May, we'll read Stillwater author Carolyn Porter's book, *Marcell's Letters: A Font and the Search for One Man's Fate*. We'll meet in the church library on **Monday, May 20**, at 7pm. This will be our last book until the fall, so we hope you can join us! All are welcome, even if you haven't been to a meeting before.

June Twins game
United Methodist Day at Target Field will be **Wednesday, June 12**. If anyone is interested in organizing a group to attend from WBLUMC, please contact Lori McBride at lori.mcbride@wblumc.org for information.

About BeFriends: A caring ministry
We all experience the feeling of loss or transition at one time or another, or we just have a lot going on in life. BeFriends are trained laypersons who enter into confidential, caring relationships at times of special need by offering emotional and spiritual support. A BeFriender relationship can last a short time or longer. BeFriends are there just to listen. They are also responsible for supplying the Care Notes in the hallway near the narthex, which you may find helpful for yourself or someone you know. For information, please contact Roberta Schmidt, 651-653-0067; Barb Hinz, 651-777-0465; or speak to one of the ministers.

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Prayer at WBLUMC: One way our church helps nourish and support the hungers of life is through prayer. If you have a special need or celebration that could use extra care, we invite you to partake in one of these prayer avenues. If your spirit has the need to support others through prayer, we invite you to join in one of the teams.
The Prayer Team: If you would like to request a prayer from this team, please write it on a prayer request card or email Dave Hegdahl at shegdahld2@comcast.net.
The Email Prayer Chain accepts requests by contacting a pastor or leader Ronda Nelson, rondalauva2@msn.com.

WBLUMC CALENDAR
Sunday, May 12
9-10am—Worship; Sunday school & nursery
10am—Coffee, tea, and treats in Fellowship Hall
10:45-11:30am—Worship, Country Music Now & Then; Children’s Church; nursery
Monday, May 13
10-11am—Hang Loose Women’s Al-Anon, room 206
1-3pm—UMW Sarah Circle, room 200
6:30-8pm—“Yearnings” discussion group, room 206
Tuesday, May 14
6pm—YogaDevotion, Fellowship Hall
6:30pm—Trustees meeting, church office
7-8:30pm—Finance committee, room 200
7-9pm—Staff-Parish Relations committee, roon 206
Wednesday, May 15
1-2:30pm—Prayer Team meeting, prayer room
6-8pm—Confirmation banquet, Fellowship Hall
6-8pm—Alleluia Ringers, sanctuary
7-9pm—Chancel Choir rehearsal
Thursday, May 16
7:10am—Men’s Breakfast Group, library
10am—Pages of Wisdom AA, room 107
Friday, May 17
Office closed; no activities scheduled
Saturday, May 18
7:30am—Men’s Prayer Group, room 200
8am-2pm—Parking for Community of Grace color run
10am—WBL Sat. Morning Women’s Group, 200/206
10am-1pm—Music Rehearsal
Sunday, May 19
9-10am—Worship & nursery
10am—Coffee, tea, and treats in Fellowship Hall
10:45-11:30am—Worship & nursery
7-9pm—“Old Turtle” choral presentation, sanctuary

WORSHIP NOTES		
PRELUDE		
WELCOME		
CALL TO WORSHIP	“Be the Change”	Music by Marc & Colin Britt
OPENING WORDS (responsively) Christ who died lives again! Alleluia! The stone that the builders rejected has become the cornerstone. Alleluia! This is the day that the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it.		
•PROCESSIONAL HYMN	“Now Thank We All Our God”	No. 102
UNISON PRAYER O God, you have built your Church upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Jesus Christ himself being the chief cornerstone. Save the community of your people from cowardly surrender to the world, from rendering unto Caesar what belongs to you, and from forgetting the eternal Gospel amid the temporal pressures of our troubled days. For the unity of the Church we pray, and for fellowship across the embittered lines of race and nations; to grow in grace, building in love, enlargement in service, increase in wisdom, faith, charity, and power, we dedicate our lives; through Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.		
ANTHEM	“I Have Felt the Hand of God”	Craig Courtney
Chancel Choir		
<i>I have felt the hand of God in your hand, Holding me, you gave me strength to stand. When I was all alone, you came and met my need. And when I lost my way, your hand was there to lead. Through your touch. God’s hand reached out to me. I have felt the hand of God in your hand.</i>	<i>I have heard the voice of God in your voice, Singing praise, you taught me to rejoice. Your voice of comfort caused my grief to end. And when my faith was gone, you called me home again, When you spoke, God’s voice called out to me. I have heard the voice of God in your voice.</i>	<i>I have seen the face of God in your face. Giving all, you shared with me God’s grace. And you were faithful to guide me as I grew. I saw your love for God and I saw God in you. When you smiled, God’s love surrounded me. I have seen the face of God, I have heard the voice of God, I have felt the hand of God through you.</i>



Jesus spent his earthly ministry reaching out. White Bear Lake United Methodist Church strives to be like Jesus by welcoming everyone, including those who have been excluded elsewhere. We believe that the Body of Christ is more complete when we embrace the broad diversity of God's creation. No matter where you are in your faith journey and regardless of age, race, color, national origin, marital status, sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, disability, or socioeconomic status, you are welcome here and will be fully included in the life of the church.

9am Worship ~ Sunday, May 12, 2019 ~ Happy Mother's Day

HEARING ASSISTANCE AVAILABLE; PLEASE SEE USHERS | + PLEASE STAND AS YOU ARE ABLE

WORSHIP
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Psalter
The psalms were the songbook of ancient Israel. Psalm 67 is a hymn asking for God’s blessing and guidance. The sung response reminds us that psalms were originally sung as acts of praise.

Scripture
United Methodists share with other Christians the conviction that Scripture is the primary source and criterion for Christian doctrine. Through Scripture the living Christ meets us in the experience of redeeming grace. We properly read Scripture within the believing community, informed by the tradition of that community. We interpret individual texts in light of their place in the Bible as a whole. We are aided by scholarly inquiry and personal insight, under the guidance of the Holy Spirit.

~ From the United Methodist Book of Discipline

CHILDREN’S MESSAGE
After the children’s message, children and youth through 8th grade will leave for Sunday School.

PSALTER Psalm 67 UMH 791

RESPONSE (Easter & General)

Ps. 67:4a,7
Carlton R. Young

O peo-ple, be glad and sing for joy!

De - clare God's glo - ry in ev - ery land!

R

1 O God, be gracious to us and bless us
and make your face to shine upon us,

2 that your way may be known upon earth,
your saving power among all nations.

3 Let the peoples praise you, O God;
let all the peoples praise you!

4 Let the nations be glad and sing for joy,
for you judge the peoples with equity
and guide the nations upon earth. **R**

5 Let the peoples praise you, O God;
let all the peoples praise you!

6 The earth has yielded its increase;
God, our God, has blessed us.

7 God has blessed us;
let all the ends of the earth fear God! **R**

MORNING PRAYER

THE LORD’S PRAYER
Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

SCRIPTURE Genesis 1:1-5 Reader: Paul Dickson
In the beginning when God created the heavens and the earth, the earth was a formless void and darkness covered the face of the deep, while a wind from God swept over the face of the waters. Then God said, “Let there be light”; and there was light. And God saw that the light was good; and God separated the light from the darkness. God called the light Day, and the darkness he called Night. And there was evening and there was morning, the first day.

Revelation 21:1-7
Then I saw a new heaven and a new earth; for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and the sea was no more. And I saw the holy city, the new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying, “See, the home of God is among mortals. He will dwell with them; they will be his peoples, and God himself will be with them; he will wipe every tear from their eyes. Death will be no more; mourning and crying and pain will be no more, for the first things have passed away.”

WORSHIP
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Offering
The offering is closely tied to the church’s calling to serve and reach out. We offer not just a portion of what we have, but also our entire lives in service to God and God’s people.

Closing hymn
We come to know God in many different ways, as our Creator, as our Savior, and as our Comfort. This hymn sings of God who gives us birth, who feeds us in communion, and who helps us grow, with images from the prayer life of a fifteenth-century woman of the church.

~ From The Faith We Sing
Worship Planner

And the one who was seated on the throne said, “See, I am making all things new.” Also he said, “Write this, for these words are trustworthy and true.” Then he said to me, “It is done! I am the Alpha and the Omega, the beginning and the end. To the thirsty I will give water as a gift from the spring of the water of life. Those who conquer will inherit these things, and I will be their God and they will be my children.

RESPONSE TO THE WORD
Leader: For the word of God in Scripture,
for the word of God among us,
for the word of God within us.
All: **Thanks be to God.**

MESSAGE	Christ is not Jesus’ Last Name	Pastor John McBride
+HYMN	“For the Beauty of the Earth” 1, 2, 4 & 6	No. 92

CONNECTION CARDS

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

OFFERING	“The Prayer of the Children” Choral Scholars	by Kurt Bestor arr. by Andrea S. Klouse
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ANNOUNCEMENTS

+CLOSING HYMN	“Mothering God, You Gave Me Birth”	No. 2050
+BENEDICTION		
+POSTLUDE	“All Glory Be to God on High	by Michael Burkhardt

Next Sunday evening: “Old Turtle” at WBLUMC
Combined choral presentation | 7pm Sunday, May 19

WBLUMC’s Chancel Choir and the White Bear Lake Unitarian Universalist choir will present Joseph Martin’s *Song of Wisdom from Old Turtle*. While the choral work is a setting of the children’s book *Old Turtle* by Douglas Wood, the heart of the message has deep implications for adults as well. Scored for orchestra, choir and narrator, it begins by telling of the old days when the animals ruled the earth. One by one, the animals present their interpretation of God and the nature of God. You guessed it: No one can agree. Eventually, the arguing leads to destruction and bloodshed. Old Turtle, the central character narrated by our own Peteria Cochran-Routt, attempts to create peace by giving value to all the interpretations of God. Come find out what happens!



Reminder: Summer worship begins May 26
We’ll have one worship service 10-11am Sundays through Sept. 8.